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C O N F I D E N T I A L MONTEVIDEO 1337

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TAGS: P IM, PINS, UY

SUBJECT: RUMORS OF ARRESTS CIRCULATING

USCINCSO FOR POLAD

REF: MONTEVIDEO 1336

1. SINCE FILING REFTTEL WE HAVE HAD REPORT FROM INDIVIDUAL
WELL CONNECTED WITH PRESS SOURCES TO THE EFFECT THAT PRESIDENT BORDAB-
ERRY,
DEFMINISTER RAVENNA, INTERIOR MINISTER LINARES AND "POSSIBLY"
LT. GEN. CHIAPPE ARE UNDER HOUSE ARREST. SEPARATE CHECK WITH HOME
OF INFLUENTIAL POLITICIAN WHOSE WIFE IS RELATED TO THE PRESIDENT
PRODUCED INFORMATION
THAT HUSBAND NOT AVAILABLE BUT THAT SHE HAD RECEIVED
MANY CALLS RELATED TO "OUSTER" OF BORDABERRY. FURTHER CHECK WITH
RADIO-CONNECTED SOURCE INDICATED THAT
THERE HAD BEEN ARRESTS".

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2. FROM FOREGOING IT IS APPARENT THAT INTRA-MILITARY DEVELOPMENTS REPORTED REFTEL HAVE AT MINMUM STIMULATED RUMORS OF MORE EXTREME ACTION. CHECKS WITH OTHER MORE DIRECT SOURCES HAVE FAILED TO CONFIRM REPORTS RELATED TO "HOUSE ARRESTS". AMONG THESE ARE DIRECT SOURCE REPORTS THAT A) ALL IS NORMAL AT PRESIDENTIAL HOUSEHOLD, AND B) FIRM DENIAL THAT ANY ARRESTS HAVE TAKEN PLACE. EXCEPTION TO THESE REPORTS IS ONE MILITARY SOURCE WHO REPORTED THAT ARMY CINC CHIAPPE-POSSE "UNDER ARREST".

3. WE NOT REPEAT NOT IN POSITION TO CONFIRM ANY OF THE ABOVE AT THIS TIME BUT IT CLEAR THAT WAVE RUMORS AT LEAST HAS STARTED. EMBASSY MAINTAINING ALERT AND WILL REPORT ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS. SIRACUSA

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